

CITY OF EL CAJON PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

FY 2022-2023 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, cities such as El Cajon are eligible to receive federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to implement community improvement projects and/or programs not otherwise possible under the constraints of the regular City budget. In order to receive the funding for FY 2022-2023 (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023), the City must submit a One Year Action Plan, including proposed projects, to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by May 12, 2022.

The City of El Cajon invites public comments from residents, non-profit organizations and others serving the El Cajon community in the development of the One Year Action Plan and the projects to be funded. The City welcomes and encourages citizen participation in the establishment and implementation of our 48th year of the CDBG Program.

The City of El Cajon estimates it will receive approximately \$1,300,000 in CDBG funds for FY 2022-2023. A maximum of 15% of the total may be made available for Public Service programs and projects, a maximum of 20% is reserved for Administration activities and mandated Fair Housing Services, and the remaining amount may be made available for Public Facility/Capital Improvement-type projects (after required debt service payments, if any, and any amounts required for continuing housing programs authorized). All CDBG funds must be used for activities and projects that will improve the living conditions/environment for low and moderate-income individuals and families in El Cajon.

Applications for CDBG funding for proposed projects and programs serving residents of the City of El Cajon are available beginning Thursday, November 11, 2021. Completed applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 16, 2021 in order to be considered for FY 2022-2023 CDBG funding.

Two separate CDBG applications are available:

- 1) Public Facilities/Capital Improvement projects (approx. \$845,000 available); or
- 2) Public Services projects and programs (approx. \$195,000 available).

Non-profit organizations, City departments, neighborhood organizations, schools and faith-based organizations are eligible to apply for this funding for proposed projects. Please note that the City of El Cajon does not directly fund individuals through this program.

Detailed requirements, procedures and guidelines for the City's CDBG Program, and instructions for submitting a completed Application, are set forth in the <u>FY 2022-2023 CDBG Program Guidelines</u>. Electronic versions of the Application(s) and Program Guidelines are available for download on the City of El Cajon's website at http://www.cityofelcajon.us/housing. Electronic versions may also be obtained via email or by U.S. Mail by calling (619-441-1710) or by e-mailing a request to housing@elcajon.gov. Please specify which Application you wish to receive (Public Services or Public Facilities).

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For additional information on the City's CDBG program, please contact Housing staff at (619) 441-1710 or visit the City's website at http://www.cityofelcajon.us/housing.

The City of El Cajon is endeavoring to be in total compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. This material is available in alternate formats such as large print or computer disk for individuals with disabilities and will also be made available in Spanish upon request. If you are a non-English speaking resident or citizen, are speech and/or hearing impaired and wish to review the documents or comment at the Public Hearing, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (619) 441-1763, as far in advance of the meeting as possible.